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## It's not too early....

to prepare for cold weather. Remember last February when temperatures dropped below zero and it was downright frigid? The time to prepare for the possibility of it happening again is now. Make sure your pipes are well insulated. Consider an alternative source for heat such as a small electric heater or wood or pellet stove, and make sure you have fuel.

If you're on natural gas in a neighborhood where the pipeline is small and the demand is high, you could run low on gas for heat. Put on extra clothes, put an extra blanket on the bed and turn your thermostat down at night to help ease demand. Laying larger pipe is an expensive solution for a problem that only seems to happen once every 30 years or so, so gather the things you need to keep warm now and you'll weather the storm well should it repeat again this winter.

## It's also not too late....

to Keep Socorro Beautiful! With the onset of cooler weather all those weeds you've been trying to ignore are drying out, breaking off, and blowing about. It's time to gather them together and dispose of them properly, all in an effort to keep Socorro looking tidy during the next two months--our busiest time for tourists.

Thank you to all those folks who do keep their property trimmed and tweaked. It says a great deal about Socorro as a community—and besides all of us who live here, there are plenty of others who notice.

The City Tourism Department hears accolades all the time.

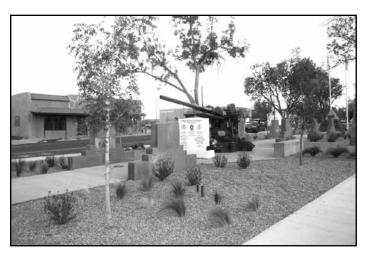
Employee Anniversaries
Norbert Peralta
Curtis Greenwood
Stanley Herrera

20 years
10 years
5 years

"I have a letter here from someone in Japan who loves our town," says Jennifer Gonzales, Tourism Director. She meets plenty of people—from all over the world—who pass through town.

Kristin Beers, the new Events Coordinator, adds, "New Mexico is not only scenic but draws people who are into history, art, and culture. They come to see San Miguel Mission and El Camino Real Heritage Center."

They also come to enjoy all there is to do in Socorro, especially in the next two months. Take a look at the calendar of events on the flip side of this newsletter and start inviting your own out-of-town guests to come help us all celebrate our little town.



The City and the County have joined forces to finish the landscaping at Veterans Memorial Park to honor our Veterans and to Keep Socorro Beautiful.

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